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THE
Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 25TH AUGUST, 1881.

We have been very much struck with the glaring inconsistencies which have appeared in the two reports in the local papers of the last meeting of the Legislative Council. In one or two instances in the *China Mail*, the remarks of His Excellency the Governor were so garbled in relation to facts that were already within our knowledge that we (to make doubly sure) applied for information and papers, and it is now apparent, and we are in a position to make clear, that the system regularly adopted by the *China Mail* of giving not only false reports of the Governor's actions, but of positively falsifying His Excellency's public utterances, and of putting words into his mouth which he never used, could not possibly be better illustrated than by a comparison of the two reports mentioned above. To begin with contract emigration: the *China Mail* had a paragraph some time ago alleging that the Attorney-General differed with the Governor in Executive Council on the question of contract emigration. On this important point the *Mail*—as if to verify its own false invention—now makes the Governor say:—"As to the question of what constituted a service contract (*sic*), the Attorney-General had given his opinion that it must be a written contract." We have very carefully, but in vain, searched the *Daily Press* report for the passage thus distorted by the *Mail*, in fact no sentence at all resembling this latest production of the evening paper's inventive faculty is to be found in the morning journal. In the course of the researches we have made we discovered that the passages which the *China Mail* so ingeniously perverted were the following quotations from a report of the Attorney-General of July, 1880, which the Governor read to the Council:—"The real question for the Harbour-Master's Department in this matter is to find out in all cases what emigrants are really under contract, whether written or unwritten. The Emigration Officer must distinctly understand that emigrants under contracts, whether writ-

ten or unwritten as regards their passage-money, must not be passed by him as free emigrants." This was read aloud in open Council, and it is difficult to see how these plain words could be so misunderstood as to induce the *China Mail* reporter to make the Governor say that the Attorney-General had given his opinion that there must be a written contract. The fact that the Attorney-General made no reference to the subject when speaking yesterday in Council, and that the *Daily Press* report does not give the passages verbatim as read aloud at the meeting, renders it all the more important to the public that the misrepresentations of the *China Mail* and the omissions of the *Daily Press* should be rectified, and that it should be made plain that the statement deliberately put into the Governor's mouth by the *Mail* is a pure fabrication. Again, in referring to the case of the *Abbotsford*, the *China Mail* makes the Governor speak of "the clearance" given or withdrawn, but we cannot find that His Excellency used the word at all. Then the evening print put into the mouth of the Governor some astonishing reference to "the Chefoo Treaty," whilst, so far as we can discover, His Excellency never mentioned that treaty. Once more, in referring to the report by Major Palmer on the proposed Observatory for Hongkong, His Excellency incidentally mentioned that Major Palmer had been employed by the Government to observe the transit of Venus in New Zealand, and that, as his hearers had seen by the scientific papers, his report (meaning, of course, his report on the transit of Venus), had been very highly thought of by the Astronomer Royal and Her Majesty's Government, wherefor the Governor selected Major Palmer to report, with Mr. Bowdler, on the proposed Hongkong Observatory, and His Excellency then concluded with the words—"his report, which I now lay on the table, is a very clear and admirable document." This is how the *Daily Press* reports the passage; but now let our readers compare the naively simple version of the *China Mail*:—"He would take the opportunity of putting before them a valuable report of Major Palmer. The report had been highly thought of by the Astronomer Royal." This is *præcis* writing with a vengeance! Finally, though we might multiply instances of similar perversions of the truth, in view of the fact that of all the members of the Education Commission appointed by the Governor, two only were *not* members of the Council, it is rather curious to find the *Mail* placing in His Excellency's mouth the assertion that "there was no member of the Council on that Commission." In regard to some other statements—grammatical and otherwise—which the *China Mail* attributes to the Governor, it is sufficient to say that His Excellency never said "there were many important subjects that could be treated very quietly," or that "passenger emigration was greatly the matter of the highest importance to Hongkong"; or that "it was known in Parliament that a traffic was carried on which would do injury to the trade of England"; or that "the revenue to be derived from opium farm was to be credited to the export to Australia and California."

"I don't wish to go down to posterity talking bad grammar," said Lord Beaconsfield, as he corrected the report of his last speech in the House of Lords a few days before his death; and we have no doubt a similar feeling animates his friend and some time Parliamentary colleague, Sir John Pope Hennessy; at all events the conductor of the *China Mail* may lay the flatteringunction to his soul that he holds the undisputed monopoly in this Colony of dealing in the most glaring idiomatic absurdities and ungrammatical English that ever made the columns of a newspaper a discredit to our advanced civilisation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Messageries Maritimes mail steamship *Anadyr* was coming in the harbour as we were going to Press.

We notice the arrival of the English and American Variety Combination Company from Manila yesterday. Their first performance will take place on Saturday next, as will be seen by advertisement in another column.

Judgment in the charter-party case, in which Capt. Stabell sued the *Wa Hing Yuen* for \$527.60, under circumstances reported in our issue of the 20th instant, was delivered yesterday by Mr. Justice Russell, who after briefly reviewing the evidence decreed that the defendant pay to the plaintiff the amount of extra freight represented by the difference between the freight from here to Newchwang and Chefoo, the Registrar to ascertain the amount due. No order was made as to costs.

The following is the Return of Prisoners confined in the Victoria Gaol, at 8 a.m. on the 23rd inst.:—Committed from the Supreme Court, 7 Europeans and 220 Chinese; total 227. From the Magistracy, 9 Europeans, 4 Indians, and 323 Chinese; total, 336. From the Marine Magistrate 2, from Courts-martial 10, from Summary Jurisdiction 1, and 33 cases remanded and pending order, making a total of all prisoners of 609. A large number of these prisoners are in gaol for non-payment of fines inflicted under the Gambling Ordinance; and a few under the Light and Pass Ordinance.

Owing to the abolition of the Tobacco monopoly the rich Spanish bankers project forming a company to cultivate the fragrant weed in Cagayan and Isabela; the Senor Marquis de Campo, has commissioned Senor Calvo to explore the district intended for the cultivation of tobacco. Senor Calvo is empowered to build a village capable of receiving one hundred Spanish labourers who will be sent in his steamer to the new plantation. The village will be constructed at the sole cost of the Marquis, and will comprise of 100 dwelling houses, a church, a hospital, and all the other necessary erections. Senor Marquis, we hear, will present shortly proposals to purchase the existing factories and warehouses. —*Comercio*.

We translate the following from *El Comercio*:—"On the night of the 17th inst., a few minutes before nine o'clock shock of earthquake was felt which caused considerable alarm. At a little after nine, another movement was felt, but it was very slight; and, we are told, another was felt at three a.m. the following morning. Subjoined is the description given by the Director of the Observatory relative to the earthquake of last night—"At 8.51 p.m., a dreadful impulse was felt, followed by a quick oscillation; the direction was from N. 10° E. to S. 10° W. The amplitude of the oscillation drew an arc of 1° 15'; 0° 44' to S. and 0° 31' to N. The index of the vertical sismometer separated two mills from its position with this movement; it was preceded and followed by a subterranean roar which made one think the oscillation was more violent than it really was. At 9.11 p.m. a second momentary quake was felt; the subterranean roar was felt, but it was weak and confused. At 11.2 p.m. a quick shock was felt, in which the oscillation was pronounced to be of longer duration than in the former. Its direction was N. 4° E. to S. 4° W. At 3.15 a.m. on the 18th, a second oscillation similar to the last was noticed with a direction of N. 2° E. to S. 2° W. Telegraphic news from the different provinces state that they have suffered less than at Manila. At the Mayor volcano a new crater has opened, and this is generally taken as a good indication."

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Human Society was but poorly attended yesterday, only half a dozen putting in an appearance, including the Chairman and Secretary. The annual report was submitted, and as it contained a reference to the services of Foreman White, principally through whose efforts five persons were taken off a sinking junk in the gale of September last, it was proposed and carried that a

copy of the report be forwarded to the Royal Humane Society. There appears to be a decrease in the number of members, but the Chairman took a cheerful view, saying he did not think any resignations were caused by a falling-off of zeal, but were owing to other circumstances. The Society has had to evacuate their head-quarters in Duddell-street, but this is no loss as it is at present lodged in a Government building at no cost to the Society and in a more central situation. The funds are very low, and considering the object for which the Society is formed this ought not to be the case; there can be no doubt whatever that an appeal to the community would bring in a good round sum and place the Society in a sound financial position. The following officers were appointed:—Hon. P. Ryrie, President; W. J. Sampson, General Superintendent and Foreman of the Eastern District; Mr. Leatherbarrow, Foreman of the Central District; Mr. J. White, Foreman of the Western District; Mr. T. F. Fisher, Hon. Secretary; Mr. G. Caldwell, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. Stockwell, Hon. Surgeon. The Committee consist of the above officers, with the addition of Messrs. Edo and Cook.

THE "TELEGRAPH" LIBEL CASE.

The hearing of this libel case, in which Mr. H. Wicking, merchant and commission agent, of Club Chambers, sued Mr. R. Fraser-Smith, printer and publisher of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, for the sum of \$1,000, for damages sustained by the false and malicious publication of an alleged libel in the columns of that journal on the 2nd August, was commenced this morning in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, before Mr. James Russell, Acting Puisne Judge, and Messrs. H. G. James, J. A. Mosely, and S. G. Bird, forming a special jury.

Mr. T. C. Hayllar, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Stephens and Holmes, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. J. J. Francis appeared for the defendant.

Little of public interest had transpired up to our time for going to press. His Lordships suggested that some settlement might be arrived at, but this was rejected by the counsel for the plaintiff. Mr. Hayllar observed that as the substantial issue appeared to be truth, and as publication was admitted, he thought that the defendant ought to begin. Mr. Francis then addressed the jury, commencing by reading the alleged libel, and shortly after the Court adjourned to tiffin.

THE PROPOSED OBSERVATORY FOR HONGKONG.

In reviewing the very important proceedings at the recent meeting of the Legislative Council, we propose to deal specially and separately with a few of the leading questions brought forward, so that the public may thoroughly obtain a comprehensive idea of what is actually being done, ostensibly for the welfare of the colony. In laying the colonial estimates for 1882 before the Council, H. E. the Governor made the following remarks with reference to the long talked of Observatory and Time Ball:—

"The next thing is \$20,000 for an Observatory and Time Ball. A sum has been voted in the current Estimates for that purpose, and I hope it will be spent. Ten thousand has been already voted for the service, and I propose to take twenty thousand dollars for the coming year. On this subject I have the satisfaction of laying before you a very able report by Major Palmer, of the Royal Engineers, whose services for this purpose were kindly given to me by Colonel Papillon. Major Palmer was the gentleman employed by the Government to observe the Transit of Venus in New Zealand, which was a very important observation, and his report, as you will have seen by the scientific papers, has been very highly thought of by the Astronomer Royal and Her Majesty's Government. I therefore thought it would be advisable that he should consider, with Mr. Bowdler, this scheme. It is a subject which few know anything about, and we were fortunate in having Major Palmer in the Colony. His report, which I now lay on the table, is a very clear and admirable document. He enters fully into the question of having a correct time ball dropped at a certain hour every day. He also discusses that which is of great interest to us, the whole question of meteorological observations and also observations of terrestrial magnetism. The experience of the last few hours will be enough to convince us of the importance of meteorological observations in the China

Sea. I received within the last few days two telegrams from the Government of Manila, and the Council are aware they indicated the full force of the gale we have recently experienced, and in the same way we shall be able to make observations that will be not only useful to ourselves, but to all the ports on the China Sea. The magnetic observations will also be of great service. We will also have observations of the tides. I do not remember a case since I came to this Colony of a ship being lost in the China Sea, but a question has arisen as to the tides and currents, and though they appear to be very uncertain, yet careful observation of the tides and currents and the temperature of the air and water, will often enable captains of ships to determine whether the particular current on which they rely has changed its place or otherwise. On the whole we find in this report an admirable resume and all the Finance Committee is entitled to know before finally embarking on such a large expenditure as \$20,000 and the subsequent expenditure for the maintenance of the station.

We heartily concur in every one of His Excellency's observations, and are glad to see that his support has been promised in such substantial fashion to an undertaking which cannot fail to prove of incalculable service to the advancement of science, as well as for the advantage of the shipping and general interests of the Hongkong community. From the papers on the subject laid before the Council, copies of which have been forwarded to us in the usual course, we observe a letter from Lord Kimberley, dated April 7th, enclosing a letter from the Secretary to the Meteorological Office, and requesting that copies of all records taken at the Observatory (after its establishment) should be regularly sent to that office in London. The Secretary's letter in which copies of the records are solicited, states that the Kew Committee have learned with great satisfaction that a determination has been arrived at to establish a self-recording Meteorological and Magnetic Observatory at Hongkong.

It will be remembered that a sum of ten thousand dollars was voted, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the erection of an Observatory on Mount Elgin at Kowloon, and the Acting Surveyor-General, Mr. E. Bowdler, who has had special experience in this kind of work in connection with the fine Observatory at the Mauritius, received instructions to collaborate with Major Palmer, R.E., and it was ultimately arranged that the last-named gentleman, whose scientific attainments have already gained him a more than local reputation, should prepare a detailed report, conveying his views on the whole subject. This report has now been published and was laid on the Council table the other evening. Equally as a scientific treatise, and as a practical report on the best means of erecting an Observatory which will do honour to Hongkong, and of conducting the working of the same to the best advantage, Major Palmer's elaborate and carefully written pages merit the highest praise. It is far too lengthy for reproduction in the limited space at our disposal, or we should gladly reprint it in full; however, we must content ourselves with touching on one or two of the salient features, referring especially to the proposed mode of constructing the Observatory and the advantages which may be expected to accrue from its institution.

Major Palmer, after quoting some very interesting comments from a letter forwarded in September, 1879, by Dr. Warren de la Rue to Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, detailing the great benefits science would derive from an Observatory provided with self-recording instruments in Hongkong, and referring to the opinions of Mr. Blandford, the Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India, and to Governor Hennessy's reply to the Secretary of State, dated 20th November, 1879, concludes that in the proposal to establish this Observatory, three chief objects are aimed at, namely:—

To determine the Local Time by astronomical observations, and drop a Time-Ball daily.

To obtain series of Meteorological observations with instruments of the best kinds, and to acquire information relating to the Typhoons and Monsoons of the China Sea.

To obtain a series of observations in Terrestrial Magnetism, also with the best modern apparatus, and proceeds to deal with these subjects, separately, in the above order.

The main purpose in dropping a Time-Ball is to enable the masters of the numerous sea-going vessels which come to Hongkong to ascertain the errors and rates of their standard time-keepers, without having recourse, as at present, to the practice of sending their chronometers ashore to be rated by the local watchmakers. Though this latter expedient is well known to be both clumsy and unsafe, yet, in ports not provided with a time-ball, it is practically the only one available to masters of merchant vessels, few of whom have the knowledge or leisure for the somewhat troublesome alternative of taking their own time-observations on shore with an artificial horizon and a hack chronometer. On the other hand, the errors and rates derivable from a time-ball accurately dropped are not only obtained with very little trouble,

but are of vastly greater value than those which depend on any process that involves the movement of chronometers.

It follows that the Observatory determinations of time should be made and published with scientific precision, and be such as to command public confidence. They should supply the mariner with data in which, whether bound on a short run through the seas of these regions, or on a long ocean voyage, he may implicitly trust. In short, the working of the establishment ought to be made worthy of the grave interests involved, and of the requirements of one of the busiest shipping ports in the world.

The proposal to establish a meteorological branch of the observatory, under skilled management and supplied with the best modern apparatus, commands approval for two reasons. In the first place, as Dr. De La Rue has indicated, such an institution will furnish the science with valuable and much needed data, from a locality well suited for the observation and collection of facts appertaining to certain phenomena of special interest. Secondly, it cannot fail to have a direct and practical value, as being the means of affording security, by its predictions and weather warnings, to life and property, in seas navigated by vast numbers of native and foreign vessels, but subject during four or five months of the year to rotatory storms of appalling violence and danger.

Its operations, like its purpose, will be two-fold. There will be, to begin with, the systematic observation and record of the ordinary phenomena of pressure, temperature, humidity, rain, sunshine, wind, and hydrometeors, such as are usual in observatories of the first order; together also with observations of atmospheric electricity.

Referring to Terrestrial Magnetism, Major Palmer observes that although the character of the rocks and soil of Hongkong and Kowloon is not the most favourable that could be chosen for magnetic research, yet the position of the Colony on the magnetic chart, and with respect to other places where observatories are already established, leaves no room to doubt that well-conducted observations of this class will be of great value to the science. These will comprise observations for determining the Absolute Values of the elements of the Earth's magnetic force, namely, its Declination, Inclination; and Intensity—as well as those for ascertaining the periodic, secular and irregular Variations which the elements undergo, and the laws of which still await complete theoretical explanation. The former class of determinations—namely, those of Absolute Values—are pretty certain to be more or less prejudicially affected by local attraction proceeding from the granitic rocks and soil; but the Variations, which form by far the more important object of research, can be deduced just as well in the presence as in the absence of local attraction.

The following remarks on Tidal observation are especially worthy of attention:—There is one instrument which, though referred to in His Excellency the Governor's despatch already quoted from, has not yet been mentioned in this report, and which might with advantage be added to the outfit, namely, a Tide-gauge, for the purpose of determining the laws of the tides at Hongkong, certain phenomena of which, such as the diurnal and other inequalities, are peculiar, and, I believe, but little known or understood. An autographic tide-gauge might be set up in a chamber constructed for the purpose near the Tsim-shi-tsu Police Station, and attended to each day by man in charge of the Time-Ball and Weather-Signals. Such a gauge, of Sir W. Thomson's pattern, would cost about £95.

Admiral Ryder suggested, in 1877, that an automatic Tide-gauge should be set up at Cape D'Aguiar, and placed in charge of the lighthouse-keeper there. This is most desirable, as a means of establishing the direction and rate of the tides, and I recommend that it be carried out unless the engineering difficulties prove too serious, in which case a suitable spot might perhaps be found on one of the headlands nearer to Stanley. A less expensive gauge, of Newman's pattern, and costing about £50, would serve for this station.

Major Palmer approves in general terms of the site selected for the Observatory buildings, as it is probably the best place available, although in some respects it is not altogether suitable. Mount Elgin is that elevated plateau a short distance to the north of the Tsim-tsa-tsu Police station, and was originally levelled and laid out by a former Governor, Sir Richard McDonnell, we think, as a summer residence, this plan afterwards being abandoned in favour of Mountain Lodge. The whole of the instruments required for the efficient working of the various departments connected with the Observatory are minutely detailed, and the approximate cost of the same carefully estimated. The particulars of the working, with practical recommendations as to the formation of a qualified staff, together with a workman-like plan of the necessary buildings are laid down in a business like manner which cannot fail to commend itself to the good graces of all mercantile men, and which bears convincing proof of the Major's well-balanced mind.

The total cost of buildings, with complete sets of the most improved instruments, and all the requisite appurtenances, including furniture and fittings is approximately stated at \$33,600, and the annual maintenance at \$10,000, to which has to be added after the first year or two, an average annual charge of about \$500, for repairs to buildings, &c.

We have now laid before our readers all that is necessary to enable them to thoroughly comprehend the details of this interesting and useful, but somewhat costly, projected institution. The scheme has our hearty wishes for its success, as we feel convinced that it will supply a need long felt in this part of the world, a want which we think might have advantageously been supplied long ago. In following in the footsteps of those ancient and persevering pioneers of science, the Jesuit Fathers, whose Observatories at Manila, and Si-ca-wei, near Shanghai, reflect the greatest credit on their energy and enterprise in the cause of progress, we establish for our colony a well-deserved fame which will live for ages.

LATEST COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Thursday, August 25th, 1881.
One o'clock P.M.

The transactions in the share market, which were but few at the commencement of the week, have each day gradually declined until this morning there is not a single deal of any description to record. We are drawing towards the end of the month; after the settlement probably a little more life will be infused into stock operations.

Shares.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Shares—100 per cent. premium, ex div. Sales.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,675 per share ex dividend.
China Travelers' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,600 per share, ex div.
North China Insurance Company—T's. 1,125 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association—T's. 820 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company, —\$305 per share, Buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—T's. 148 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company Shares—\$995 per share.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$285 per share, Sellers.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—48% premium.
Hongkong, Canton & Amoy Steamboat Company's Shares—\$23 per share premium, Sellers.
China Coast Steam Navigation Company—T's. 162 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$82 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$102½ per share, Sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$155 per share, Ex Div.
China Sugar Refining Company (Debtentures)—3 per cent premium.
Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$127½ per share, Sellers.
Hongkong & China Bakery Company, Limited—\$43½ per share.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1878—3½% premium.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1881—3½% premium.

Exchange.

On LONDON,—
Bank Bills, T.T. 3/5½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight, 3/8½
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/8½
Credits, at 4 months' sight, ... 3/9
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight, 3/9½
On PARIS,—
Bank Bills, on demand, 4.64
Credits, at 4 months' sight, ... 4.74
On BOMBAY,—
Bank, T.T. 221½
On CALCUTTA,—
Bank, T.T. 221½
On SHANGHAI,—
Bank, T.T. 72
Private, 30 days' sight, 72½

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

August 24, *Penedo*, British steamer, 654, T. Kindredine, Saigon 19th August, General.—Tong Kee.
August 24, *Hoogly*, American ship, 1,158, W. Wallace Crost, Shanghai 25th July, Ballast.—Captain.
August 24, *Orice*, British schooner, 145, Alexander, Sydney 2nd June, Coal.—J. Bradlee Smith.

August 24, *Ferdinand*, German bark, 416, Westergaard, Bangkok 13th August, General.—Captain.
August 24, *Lido*, British steamer, 620, Puddicombe, from Canton.—Adams, Bell & Co.
August 25, *Vortigern*, British steamer, 876, Alexander, Saigon 20th Aug., Rice and General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
August 25, *Metapedia*, British steamer, 1,453, Fowler, Amoy 23rd Aug., Tea.—Russell & Co.
August 25, *Hainan*, British steamer, 278, J. Speechly, Hoihow Aug. 24th, General.—Afong.
August 25, *Prinz Heinrich*, German steamer, 873, Hoffmann, Shanghai 21st August, General.—Melchers & Co.

DEPARTURES.

August 24, *Tientsin*, British steamer, Canton.
August 24, *Amoy*, British steamer, for Shanghai.
August 24, *Prinz Wilhelm*, German steamer, for Shanghai.
August 24, *Esmeralda*, British steamer, for Manila.
August 24, *Ping-on*, American steamer, for Hoihow, &c.
August 25, *Glencoe*, British steamer, for Shanghai.
August 25, *India*, German bark, for Foochow.
August 25, *Atalanta*, German steamer, for Canton.
August 25, *Amazon*, French steamer, for Marseilles, &c.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per British steamer *Metapedia*, from Amoy, 20 Chinese.
Per British steamer *Vortigern*, from Saigon, 30 Chinese.
Per British steamer *Penedo*, from Saigon, Mrs. and Miss Cain, and 119 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per French steamer *Amazon*, from Hongkong for Saigon.—Mr. A. E. Cope, and Mr. Gardonne Victor; for Singapore, Mr. G. H. Grant, Mr. B. Biau Tjoan, son, and 2 ladies, Mr. Sin Ping, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Nantz, and 4 Chinese; for Marseilles, Messrs. Franckell, Olivier M. Joseph, Henry Potter, and J. Roberts.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Metapedia*, from Amoy, reports fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Hainan*, from Hoihow, reports very fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Vortigern*, which arrived from Saigon this morning, reports moderate breezes with heavy N.E. swell, and from 13° North latitude heavy N.W. swell.

The German bark *Ferdinand*, Captain Westergaard, which arrived here this morning from Bangkok, reports, moderate South-westerly winds to 16 N. On the 21st and 22nd inst., squally weather, with Southerly winds and heavy sea from Northward; thence to port with Southerly winds.

The British steamer *Penedo*, from Saigon, reports left Saigon at 10 p.m. on 19th instant, and passed Cape St. James at 5 a.m. next morning; passed Cape Padaran at 6.30 p.m. same day, and Cape Varela at 7.30 a.m. on 21st, arriving at Hongkong at noon on 24th. From Cape St. James to Cape Varela moderate breezes and fine weather; from thence to Ladrones strong monsoon and high sea. Off Varela passed a French war-steamer bound South.

Hongkong Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register, Queen's-road).

HONGKONG, 24th & 25th August.
BAROMETER—1 P.M. 29.874
Do. 4 P.M. 29.840
THERMOMETER—1 P.M. 83.
Do. 4 P.M. 81.
Do. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 80.
Do. 4 P.M. Do. 79.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 29.890
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. 81.
Do. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb) 78.
Do. Maximum 83.
Do. Minimum (over night) 79.

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 219.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

Notice is hereby given, that TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE of PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the term of ONE, TWO, or THREE YEARS from the 1st of March, 1882, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858, No. 1 of 1859, and No. 7 of 1879, will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 24th October, 1881.

Each Tender should specify the monthly payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licences direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By His Excellency's Command,
M. S. TONNOCHY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 20th August, 1881.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Half-yearly Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 11, Praya Central, on MONDAY, August 29th, 1881, at 3.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1881.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to the 29th instant, inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
R. COOKE,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th August, 1881.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE Public are informed that the Scrip in the above named Company, for Shares numbered 5640, 5641, 5642, and 5643, has been stolen, and that application has been made that the same may be cancelled and New Scrip issued.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1881.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE Public are informed that the undermentioned Scrip in the above named Company has been stolen, and that application has been made that the same may be cancelled and New Scrip issued.

Scrip No. 43, dated 14th January, 1881, for 5 shares Nos. 297/301.

Scrip No. 196, dated 23rd March, 1881, for 5 shares Nos. 756/760.
Hongkong, 30th July, 1881.

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CUTLER PALMER & Co.'s "CARTE BLANCHE," HEIDSIECK & Co.'s MO-NOPOLE, pts. and qts. ADOLPHE COLLIN'S BOUZY CABINET.
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&c., &c., &c.

Chinese Goods.

Silk Crapes Shawls, Silk Hand-
kerchiefs, Scarves, &c., &c.,
Hongkong, 21st June, 1881.

FOR SALE.

AUSTRALIAN WINES,
PORT AND SHERRY,
of the finest quality, from Coolata
Vineyard, Braxton, Hunter River,
N.S.W.

Apply to
R. FRASER-SMITH,
Club Chambers.
Hongkong, June 24th, 1881.

F. VINCENOT,

No. 4, PEEL-STREET,

HAS For Sale, ex late arrivals.

Wines received direct from
Bordeaux.

Chateau Lafite ... per doz. qts. \$11.00
Do. per 2 doz. qts. \$12.00
Chateau Larose ... per doz. qts. \$11.00
Do. per 2 doz. qts. \$12.00
Chateau Margaux per doz. qts. \$11.00
Do. per 2 doz. qts. \$12.00
Chateau Leoville per doz. qts. \$11.00
Do. per 2 doz. qts. \$12.00
St. Emilion ... per doz. qts. \$7.50
Duplessis Cottage per doz. qts. \$6.00
Medoc ... per doz. qts. \$7.50
St. Julien ... per doz. qts. \$6.50
Chateau de Choisy per doz. qts. \$5.00
Bonne Cote Vieux per doz. qts. \$5.00
Bordeaux Claret } per doz. qts. \$3.50
Montferant ... } per doz. qts. \$4.00
Old Breakfast } ... per doz. qts. \$2.50
Claret } ... per doz. qts. \$3.00
St. Julien ... in cask \$80.00
Medoc ... " \$55.00
Bordeaux Breakfast } " \$38.00
Claret } half-cask \$20.00
Haut Sauterne ... per doz. qts. \$9.00
Vieux ... per qt. \$6.50
Muscat Grenache, recom- } ... \$7.00
mended for invalids, ... }
Marsala ... per doz. qts. \$6.00

Brandies, Spirits and Liqueurs.

W. R. Randon Vineyard } ... \$6.00
Proprietors ... }
Kirsch-Wasser ... per doz. qts. \$10.00
Cavalier Freres fine } per dozen \$8.00
Champagne ... }
Irish Whiskey, L.L. ... per doz. \$6.50
Scotch ... per doz. \$6.00
Bourbon ... per doz. \$12.50
Absinth Pernod Fils ... per doz. \$8.00
" Moullet ... per doz. \$8.00
" Noilly Prat ... per doz. \$6.50
Yellow Chartreuse per doz. qts. \$25.00
" per btl. \$2.25
Green ... per doz. qts. \$30.00
" per btl. \$2.50
F. V. Respail ... per doz. qts. \$14.00
" per btl. \$1.50
Creme de Noyau } per doz. qts. \$13.00
Marie Brizar }
Do. ... per btl. \$1.25
Creme de Rose ... per btl. \$1.25
Cacao de Vanille ... per btl. \$1.25
Curaçoa Marie } per doz. qts. \$22.00
Brizar ... }
Do. per bottle \$2.00
Red Curaçoa Fockink (Genuine) } \$22.00
per dozen qts. }
Do. per btl. \$2.00
Do. per ½ stone btl. 1.25
Peppermint } ... per doz. qts. \$14.00
Got Freres }
Do. per btl. \$1.50
Alcohol of Menthe from Riegles } \$0.60
(Lyon) per bottle }
Benedictine ... per doz. qts. \$10.00
Do. ... per pt. btl. \$1.00
Noilly Prat Ver. } per doz. qts. \$5.00
mouth ... }
Sherry Dry, ... per doz. qts. \$8.50
Assorted Liqueurs from Noilly } \$8.00
Prat per dozen quarts }
Any kind ... per btl. \$0.75
Turino Vermouth per doz. qts. \$7.00
Bitter Tivet ... per doz. btl. \$10.00
Do. per btl. \$1.00
Angostura Bitters per doz. btl. \$10.00
Do. per btl. \$1.00
Goudron Guyot ... per btl. \$0.70
Old Tom, Swain } per doz. btl. \$3.75
and Boord ... }
AVH Gin ... per case of 15. btl. \$5.00
Eucalypsinthe ... per doz. qts. \$12.00
Assorted Syrup (from Bordeaux) } \$8.50
per dozen bottles }
Amer. Africain, } per doz. qts. \$8.50
G. Picon ... }
Fine Champagne Brandy, per gallon \$3.25
Best French Preserves always on hand.

THE BAKERY.

Best French Bread supplied to all parts
of the Town every morning.
French Pilot Bread guaranteed to keep
for 15 days in good condition.
Hard Bread or Biscuit ... per lb. \$0.05
" best quality " } ... per lb. \$0.08
Best American Flour per } ... \$10.00
barrel of 200 lbs. }
Do. ½ sack of 100 lbs. ... \$4.00
Do. ¼ sack of 50 lbs. ... \$2.00
For smaller quantity } per lb. \$0.05
under 50 lbs. }
Soda Biscuit ... per lb. \$0.08
Cabin Biscuit ... per lb. \$0.06

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Exclusive of late arrivals and departures this morning.

In this table the anchorage of Hongkong Harbour is divided, for purposes
of reference, into five sections:—No. 1 extending from Green Island to the P.
and O. Company's Wharf; No. 2 from the P. & O. Company's Wharf to the
Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Wharf; No. 3 from the Canton and Macao
Steamboat Co.'s Wharf to the Government Wharf; No. 4 from the Govern-
ment Wharf to the Wanchai Pier; and No. 5 from the Wanchai Pier to
Kollott's Island.

Vessels.	Section	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.
Steamers.						
Anger Head	4	Aug. 23	A. Roper	British	1299	D. Lapraik & Co.
Carnarvonshire	3	Aug. 15	Wm. Patrick	British	1520	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Castello	3	Aug. 19	Coates	British	1483	Russell & Co.
Cheang Hock Kian	2	Aug. 24	F. Webb	British	956	Bun Hin & Co.
China	* July	26	Ackermann	German	648	Siemssen & Co.
Decima	4	Aug. 24	Pertersen	German	1151	Siemssen & Co.
Diamante	3	Aug. 24	Cullen	British	514	Russell & Co.
Fame	3	—	A. Stopani	British	117	H. K. & W. Dook Co.
Hailoong	* May	18	Hunter	British	277	D. Lapraik & Co.
Lido	3	Aug. 24	Puddicombe	British	620	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Menzaleh	3	Aug. 20	Homery	French	1276	Messageries Maritimes.
Metapedia	3	Aug. 25	Fowler	British	1463	Russell & Co.
Namoa	3	Aug. 21	Westoby	British	862	D. Lapraik & Co.
Nona	3	Aug. 17	Waeffel	British	669	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Oceanic	3	Aug. 23	Metcalf	British	—	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Pekin	2	Aug. 24	Anderson	British	3900	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Penedo	2	Aug. 24	Kinderdine	British	664	Tong Kee.
Rajanattianuhar	2	Aug. 19	Hopkins	British	933	Yuen Fat Hong.
Sea Gull	4	—	Hayden	American	48	China Traders Co.
Shun Tip	1	July 7	Man Fu	Annamese	93	Captain.
Telemachus	3	Aug. 24	H. Jones	British	1421	Butterfield & Swire.
T. J. Gervase	3	Aug. 15	Grainger	British	417	Siemssen & Co.
Tunis	6	Aug. 15	Irvine	British	886	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Vortigern	2	Aug. 25	Alexander	British	876	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Wycliffe	2	Aug. 24	Berner	British	602	Chung Woo.
Yee-Tay	1	July 7	Lee Tung Tuk	Annamese	1200	Captain.
Yottung	1	Aug. 14	Goggia	British	286	K. Acheong & Sons.

* Kowloon Dock. † Cosmopolitan Dock. ‡ Aberdeen Dock.

Sailing Vessels.

Abbie Carver	1 July	13 N. P. Carver	Amr. bark	983	D. Lapraik & Co.
Alva	2 Aug.	14 L. de Souza	Port. ship	632	Brandao & Co.
Astoria	5 July	6 Anderson	Amr. ship	1395	Messageries Maritimes.
Bertha	2 Aug.	7 Henne	Ger. bark	443	Wieler & Co.
Brama	2 Aug.	4 K. Timpe	Ger. bark	360	Wieler & Co.
Carlotta	5 Aug.	8 J. Trickey	Brit. bark	574	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
Carmelita & Ida	† Aug.	10 Ketels	Ger. bark	438	Order.
C. F. Sargent	4 June	11 Hatherton	Amr. ship	1704	Borneo Co., Limited.
Chamron Kamrye	1 Aug.	3 Pederson	Siam. bark	483	Yuen Fat Hong.
Channel Queen	5 Aug.	21 Le Lacheur	Brit. bark	609	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Charite	3 Aug.	22 Ollinie	Fren. bark	267	Carlowitz & Co.
Clara	3 July	20 Cutler	Brit. bark	939	Vogel & Co.
Cuba	2 Aug.	7 J. Stabell	Brit. bark	320	Captain.
Circe	4 Aug.	24 Alexander	Brit. schr.	145	J. Bradle Smith.
Daniel Barnes	* July	22 J. G. Stover	Amer. ship	1485	Messageries Maritimes.
Don Quixote	5 Aug.	4 J. Claver	Ger. bark	1168	Melchers & Co.
Esperance	2 Aug.	4 Le Normon	Fren. bark	272	Captain.
Fabius	2 July	12 E. Sequeira	Siam. bark	635	Chinese.
Ferdinand	2 Aug.	24 Westergaard	Ger. bark	416	Captain.
Flora	3 July	18 Will Block	Ger. bark	970	Siemssen & Co.
Friederich	3 July	24 T. Thuren	Ger. bark	596	Siemssen & Co.
Freeman	4 July	11 Howes	Amr. bark	1196	Borneo Co.
Hermine	3 Aug.	23 Lunngreen	Swed. bark	289	Meyer & Co.
Highlander	1 June	3 Clough	Amr. ship	1372	Vogel & Co.
Hogly	3 Aug.	24 W. Crost	Amr. ship	1158	Captain.
Hotspur	3 June	12 Jack	Brit. bark	522	Melchers & Co.
Invincible	6 July	6 J. F. Skewes	Amr. ship	1460	Borneo Co., Limited.
John C. Manro	3 July	25 Summers	Brit. bark	612	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Kate Tatham	3 Aug.	12 G. Pilkothly	Aust. bark	276	Captain.
Kim Soon Hoat	1 Aug.	16 P. Beng	Siam. bark	208	Chinese.
Kjoberhavn	2 Aug.	21 Magboby	Dan. bark	353	Wieler & Co.
Laurel	2 July	30 Grassum	Brit. bark	632	Melchers & Co.
Leonidas	6 June	27 C. O. Prohn	Brit. ship	1326	Captain.
Lochiel	1 Aug.	24 Ewan	Br. 3-m schr.	216	Wo Hing.
Lota	1 Aug.	14 Duffield	Brit. bark	472	Chinese.
Lucy	3 Aug.	10 Habekost	Brit. schr.	319	Siemssen & Co.
Marie Alfred	3 Aug.	11 Bregdon	Fren. bark	305	Landstein & Co.
Melusino	3 July	4 Pflieger	Ger. bark	357	Melchers & Co.
Mozart	2 Aug.	19 Storm	Ger. brig	284	Siemssen & Co.
Myvanwy	1 Aug.	8 Braybrook	Brit. brig	162	Turner & Co.
Nautilus	3 Aug.	5 W. Stoltz	Ger. bark	725	Siemssen & Co.
New Era	4 Aug.	15 Sawyer	Amr. ship	1147	Borneo Co.
Oswald	3 Aug.	20 Brinckmeier	Ger. bark	445	Wieler & Co.
Rachol	2 July	17 Afflock	Brit. bark	282	Chinese.
Schwan	3 Aug.	23 T. Schroder	Ger. brig	276	Siemssen & Co.
Signal	3 July	4 Whitney	Amr. bark	429	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Smyrniote	2 July	15 Olsen	Brit. bark	339	Chinese.
Spartan	6 Feb.	6 Vincent	Amr. schr.	81	W. H. Ray.
Star of India	2 Aug.	19 H. D. Roo	Brit. bark	1040	Adamson Bell & Co.
Ta Hongkong	2 July	19 Buttmann	Siam. bark	635	Chinese.
Tartar	4 Aug.	23 Kaemona	Ger. brig	256	Melchers & Co.
Tiber	† June	12 J. K. Rennie	Brit. bark	923	Borneo Co.
The Tweed	6 Aug.	8 J. M. Whyte	Brit. bark	1745	Russell & Co.
Yarra	3 Aug.	23 Schutt	Brit. bark	463	Captain.

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